



THE PARISH OF SAINT CARLO ACUTIS

INCORPORATING THE CHURCHES OF



ST MICHAEL

SS PETER AND PAUL & ST BERNADETTE



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3rd MAY FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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Saturday Vigil 5:30pm St Michael <i>Carol Sekladwu RIP</i>	10.15am SS Peter & Paul <i>Novella Grace Agousi - Birthday</i>
9.00 am St Bernadette <i>Ann Lewis RIP</i>	11.30 am St Michael <i>Mary Carty RIP</i>
	3.00pm St Bernadette Parish May Procession
	4.00pm St Michael Syro Malabar Service

4th May Monday Feast of the English Martyrs

5.45pm St Michael Adoration

6.30pm St Michael Glancey

5th May Easter Feria Tuesday

6.30pm SS Peter & Paul Colton Family in Ireland & England

6th May Easter Feria Wednesday

9.30am St Bernadette Service of Word and Communion

7th May Easter Feria Thursday

10.00 am – 11.00am St Bernadette Adoration

12.00 pm St Michael Pro populo

8th May Easter Feria Friday

12.00 Noon SS Peter & Paul Adoration

12.30pm SS Peter & Paul Sean Moroney RIP

9th May Easter Feria Saturday

10.30am St Michael Adoration

11.00am St Michael Confessions

10th MAY SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Saturday Vigil 5:30pm St Michael <i>Roy Bayley RIP</i>	10.15am SS Peter & Paul <i>Rita Tonks RIP</i>
9.00 am St Bernadette <i>Peter Holmes RIP</i>	11.30 am St Michael <i>Rafaele, Matilde & Ersilia</i>
	4.00pm St Michael Syro Malabar Service

Parish Priest: Mgr. Canon Mark Crisp, **Assistant Priest:** Rev. Fr. Gerry Bowen.

Deacons: Rev. Mr. Michael McKearney and Rev. Mr. Jonathan Henry.

Pastoral Assistants: Sr. Sophia and Sr. Ancita, Sisters of St Ann of Providence.

Parish Administrator: Marie Yeo pfc.stcarlo.wolves@rcaob.org.uk

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Catholic Education from 3-19: www.sfscmac.co.uk

For Online Masses, go to www.carloacutis.co.uk **Parish Facebook page:** @carloacutisparish

Mass at Carmelite Monastery 9.00am every morning

SAFEGUARDING The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdioceses policies & procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representatives are Steve & Chris Callow (St Michael), Alison Banyard (St Bernadette) and Marie Yeo (SS Peter and Paul). They can be contacted at: sg.stcarlo.wolves@rcaob.org.uk or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240 safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concerns.

Children of primary school age must be accompanied by an adult if they need to leave the church to use the toilets during Mass or other Church services. Also, please do not let children of this age go near the votive candle stands unaccompanied, and do not let them run round the car park. It is important that we do everything to ensure that accidents do not happen. Thank you for your help in keeping our children safe.

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News and Activities

MAY PROCESSION - CHANGE OF PLAN WE WILL NOW MEET AT ST BERNADETTE'S at 3.00pm

As the weather forecast predicts a high chance of rain, if it is heavy rain, we will stay indoors for most of the service. If it is not raining, we will process round the block. By meeting at St Bernadette's, we can decide at the last minute.

The Car Park in front of St Bernadette's will still be closed as we will still gather to pray around the shrine for the crowing of Our Lady's statue at the end of the service.

The Legion of Mary will be leading the decades of the Rosary, and we will be singing the same hymns as last year between each decade.

Our theme this year will be to **PRAY FOR PEACE IN THE MIDDLE EAST AND TO SUPPORT OUR HOLY FATHER**

All the children and families from the First Holy Communion programme are invited to join us. ***Please collect flower petals to bring for the procession.***

REFRESHMENTS There will be tea and coffee in St Bernadette's Hall after the May procession. **Please can people bring cakes for the refreshments afterwards?**

MAY ROSARIES: The Knights of St Columba invite everyone to join in praying the Holy Rosary every Saturday in May at 5:00 pm at St Michael's Church, beginning May 2nd. Come and share in this time of prayer and devotion to Our Lady.

SAFEGUARDING TRAINING. On a regular basis all volunteers need to undertake safeguarding training to ensure they are aware of their responsibilities. If you require a DBS check as part of your volunteer role, you will have been sent/will shortly receive the training. Please complete ASAP and confirm to sg.stcarlo.wolves@rcaob.org.uk that you have completed it. If you don't need a DBS check as part of your volunteer role, the required reading is on the notice board at each of the churches. The document is headed up Catholic Safeguarding Standards Agency – What is safeguarding. If volunteers could read and confirm to sg.stcarlo.wolves@rcaob.org.uk that you have reviewed it that would be appreciated.

EVESHAM PILGRIMAGE to site of first Marian apparition in England. All welcome. Tuesday 5th May. Coach from St Michael's Church at 9.30am. Free time until Rosary at 2pm followed by Holy Mass then Bring & Share afternoon tea. Celebrant: Fr Alex Taylor (Branch Chaplain of Catholic Women's League CIO Birmingham). Cost £25. Further details from Sarah. Email: sarahandrews1970@yahoo.co.uk. £10 nonrefundable deposit by bank transfer, cash or cheque.

THE TYBURN MARTYRS WALK is to be held on Sunday 17th May 2026, gather at 1.30pm, St Giles in the Fields London. Short talk by Joanna Bogle on the martyrs. An opportunity to venerate the place of martyrdom. The Tyburn Nuns will be expecting us and Benediction is at 3.30pm at the Convent. If the weather is fair, please bring a picnic to have in Hyde Park afterwards. More information on the website www.tyburnmartyrswalk.org.uk

ST BERNADETTE'S BROWNIES: St Bernadette's Brownies meet on a Thursday evening, during term time and have places for girls aged between 7 & 10 years old. If interested & further information, please email brownowl18@msn.com

RECEIVING HOLY COMMUNION FROM THE CHALICE Those of you who were at the Triduum will have seen that the chalice was offered at Holy Communion. Both the Body and Blood of Christ are fully present in either the host or the chalice, but when Holy Communion is offered under both kinds, the sign of the Eucharistic Banquet is more clearly evident. For this reason, we will be offering the chalice more frequently in the future. ***To prepare for this, there will be a special training session for all Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist on Saturday 23rd May at 4.00pm in St Michael's Hall.***

ADVANCE NOTICE The SVP has arranged for a day coach trip to the National Arboretum leaving St Michael's at 9.15 am on Wednesday 24 June. Cost £12 per person. Sign up sheets will be available in the entrances to our three churches in the coming weeks.

REFRESHMENTS SERVED AFTER EVERY SUNDAY MASS at St Michael's. All proceeds to charity. Donations of time to help set up and serve plus biscuits always welcome. See Sarah: Email sarahandrews1970@yahoo.co.uk

PARISH ADMINISTRATOR HOLIDAYS – Marie will be on holiday from Thursday 24th April until Monday 18th May with no access to emails. If there is anything urgent you need to raise in her absence, please email sca@rcaob.org.uk If not urgent, Marie will respond on her return.

UPDATE ON THE PARISH COUNCIL At the OPEN MEETING on March 21st it was agreed to adopt the new constitution for the Pastoral Council with a few minor adjustments to reflect the comments at the meeting. The only adjustments that have been made concern the membership. The new version now states:

This parish council shall have a membership of 12 persons, (and the parish Priest) who either serve ex-officio because of their responsibilities in the parish, or because they are appointed by the parish priest.

Ex- Officio Members would be: The Parish Priest, the Parish Sisters, the Assistant priest, the Parish Deacon.

The **Appointed Members** will be 4 elected Members, one from each Mass, and 7 representatives from different areas of parish life.

1 **Charity Rep** to liaise with SVP, Foodbanks, Sudan, Cafod, Life.

1 **Liturgy Rep** to liaise with the choirs and music groups

1 **Social Rep** to liaise with CWL, Knights, Welcomers group (stewards), and Social Committee.

1 **Prayer Rep** to liaise with the Legion of Mary, Divine light, LASA, Padre Pio and Emmaus

1 **Youth Outreach rep** to liaise with Catechists, Youth Ministry and Children's Liturgy.

1 **Schools Rep** to liaise with our four schools.

1 **Parish Administrator** to represent Finance Committee

Three of these Representatives will be covered by ex-officio members: Sr Sophia – Prayer, Fr Gerry – Schools, Sr Ancita – Youth.

The Charity, Liturgy, Social and Finance Committee Representatives shall be chosen by the groups they liaise with.

Any parishioner may attend the Parish Pastoral Council Meetings, which will meet every two months.

You can read the constitution of the council and see a visual representation of the lines of communication on our website [Pastoral Council](#)

FILMING AND PHOTOGRAPHS DURING MASS. Following guidance from the Diocese filming and photographs are not permitted during Mass. You are welcome to take photographs/film after the mass has finished as long as the persons included have given their permission.

FOR THE LATEST NEWS, ALWAYS CHECK OUR WEBSITE <https://www.carloacutis.co.uk/parishnews>

Mission and Outreach

FOOD COLLECTION Donations of FOOD (tinned/dried/cereal/biscuits/squash/tea/coffee), TOILETRIES (shampoo/toothpaste/toothbrushes/sanitary products/soap/deodorant) and ESSENTIAL HOUSEHOLD ITEMS (kitchen and toilet roll/washing up liquid/washing powder or liquid) are greatly appreciated by our 'Free School Meals' families. Last week's donations and Aldi Orange gift cards were distributed by St Mary's Primary Catholic Academy. SS Mary & John's Primary Catholic Academy also send their thanks for your generous donation of gift cards. Thanks

DONATIONS FOR LIFE CHARITY SHOP Good News - the Life Clothing Bank at St Michael's has been emptied so you can now make donations. Can you please ensure donations are placed in the Clothing Bank at the rear of the car park and NOT in the church porch. Large items that cannot fit in the Bank should be taken to the Life Charity Shop. Thanks for your support and any queries please contact Marie @ pfc.stcarlo.wolves@rcaob.org.uk

CAFOD Big Lent Walk: Petula completed her BLW challenge **walking for 40 days** from Ash Wednesday to Easter Sunday, covering over 200km that's **over 125 miles** in the cold, rain, hail, sleet, snow, winds and glorious sunshine! She walked, ran, jogged, skipped, danced and did a mambo! Well, for her efforts you **donated a whopping £453** which will help bring clean, safe water to communities around the world. **Thank you so much!** There is still time to sponsor me if you want. You can leave your donation at your church in an envelope with my name on (Petula: CAFOD Lent walk) or donate online using the link below, thank you: <https://walk.cafod.org.uk/fundraising/petulas-fundraising-page2026>

SUDAN UPDATE APRIL 2026: The Friends of El Obeid CIO sent £1,600 (£667.67 of which was the parish collection from the Maundy Thursday service.... thank you!) to Sr Angelina last week. She thanks everyone for their great support and help in caring for the children of Sudan. The money will be used to buy food, medicine, uniform for the poorest children and school benches. There are presently more children in the school. They, with their families, have fled from their villages as the RSF (rapid support forces) get nearer. These displaced families are living in the school building and courtyard as it provides more security for them. Sr Angelina hopes that 'nothing bad will happen to us' and sends her love and prayers to you all!

ARE YOU A YOUNG MAN IN SCHOOL YEARS 9 - 13, WHO WANTS TO EXPLORE A VOCATION TO THE CATHOLIC PRIESTHOOD? Come to St. Mary's College, Oscott in Birmingham this Saturday 9th May 2026, 10:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Spend time with others who are thinking about a vocation to the priesthood and meet Fr. Craig Szmidt (Diocesan Director of Vocations). There will be time for discussion and prayer, a tour of Oscott, and an opportunity to speak with seminarians, joining them for the celebration of Holy Mass and lunch. To find out more, or to book (by 26th April) contact Deacon Owen Gresty 0121 321 5135 or deacon.owen@vocations.org.uk FREE OF CHARGE - BUT BOOKING IS ESSENTIAL

MARYS MEALS: Thank you so much for your most recent donation of Foreign Currency. We have raised another **£157.55**. This is so wonderful! That's another **8 children** who will have school meals for a year. So, in total we have raised **£404.87** providing 20 children with a school meal for a year! Thank you.


Finance

SCA 300 club Winners of April 2026 Draw: No.78 – Jill Foley - £ 75.00 No.52A – Philomena Ezea - £ 10.00

ONE-OFF DONATIONS CAN ALSO BE GIFT AIDED Please note we now have a supply of Gift Aid Envelopes for one off donations (cash or cheque). They are available at each of the churches for you to use when needed. Any queries please contact Marie on pfc.stcarlo.wolves@rcaob.org.uk

OFFERTORY COLLECTION FOR SUNDAY 26 th APRIL 2026						
	SS PP	St M	SB	Card Readers	Website	Total
Gift Aid				33.00	50.00	83.00
Non-Gift Aid	157.74	416.18	105.20	120.00	6.00	805.12
Attendance	235	108,212	94			649
Standing Order: March 2026 - £ 7149.50						
Training of Priests and Deacons in our Diocese £ 454.94						

You can donate to the Sunday Offertory Collection through the website by using this QR code.



MISSIONARY APPEAL The Missionary Sisters of St. Peter Claver will be here next weekend of **9th & 10th May 2026** to appeal on behalf of the Sisters Missions Committee of England and Wales. The Missionary Sisters of St. Peter Claver work in solidarity with missionaries around the world, especially in regions where the Church is poor and resources are limited. Through prayer and practical support, they help sustain missionary work in pastoral ministry, education, and healthcare. We thank you for your generosity and ask you to keep the missionaries and their work in your prayers.

Regular Prayer

CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP at SS Peter & Paul the "Divine Light Prayer Group" meets every Sunday after 10:15am Mass. Come along and join us in our Praise and Worship. All Welcome.

PADRE PIO PRAYER GROUP Meetings are every 4th Tuesday of the month, 3.00pm at St Bernadette's. All are welcome.

LEGION OF MARY meets in the Guild Room every Sunday after the 10.15am Mass at SS Peter & Paul, and at 10.00am in the Sacristy Meeting Room at St Michael's. All Welcome!

LAY ASSOCIATES OF SISTERS OF ST ANN KNOWN AS THE LASA PRAYER GROUP will gather every Tuesday at 5.00pm in the Lady Chapel for adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. All are welcome to join in for prayer.

FOR THOSE WHO HAVE ASKED FOR PRAYERS FOR THEIR HEALTH: Margaret Ruscoe, Ruth Derrick, Karen Moreton, Andrew Fallon, Mary Brennan, Kate Duffy, Teresa Fisher, Donald Firth, Patricia Hill, Sue Spears, Leanne Tolley, Liz Swinnerton, James Hunt, Jacqueline Cosgrove, Sandra Clowes, Ann Bayley, Julie Lee, Yassir, Catherine Andrews, Carol Hyatt, Pat Grady, Graham Cole, Mary Robs, Harry Murphy, Dennis Oparaji, Janusz Rogowski, Patricia Jones, Patricia Dufficy, Mick Gallagher, John Chell, Jan Taylor, Morris Young, Elaine Howell, Mary Ware, Antonia Colabella, Valerie Hinton, Rodney McKinney, Elizabeth Firth, Ray O'Gorman, Sheila Powell, Sheila Percy, Rose Curtis, Maurice Gay, Josephine Mann, Andy Hyatt, Johnny Burke, Charles Halldron, Ben McKearney, Steve Kavanagh, Antony Cosgrove, R. J, Holly Burke, Peter and Margaret Holmes, M Mary, Katherine Poole, Patrick Quinn, Margaret Stokes, John Dolan, Liam Dolan, Marie Looker, Lorna Ciraulo, Helen Porter, Brendan Bleakley, Freya Haynes.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED RECENTLY: Sheila Foster, Anthony Cosgrove, Peter Holmes MBE, Ann Lewis, Myles Muldowney, Shirley Deffis-Whittaker, Roy Bayley, John Abbiss, John Murphy, Desmond Hales. **May they rest in peace.**

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